

Additional Boating Information Websites:



Iowa DNR

<http://www.iowadnr.gov>

U.S. Coast Guard

<http://uscgboating.org/>

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

<http://nws.cgaux.org/>

National Safe Boating Council

<http://safeboatingcouncil.org/>

National Safe Boating Campaign

<http://safeboatingcampaign.net/>

National Water Safety Congress

<http://watersafetycongress.org/>

National Association of State Boating Law Administrators

<http://nasbla.org/>

American Canoe Association

<http://www.americancanoe.org/>

United States Power Squadrons

<http://www.usps.org/>

Mandatory Education:

Boater Education is mandatory for any person 12 - 17 who will operate a motorboat over 10 horsepower or personal watercraft (PWC) on Iowa waters.



Take a Boater Education Course;
It Could Save Your Life!

For more information visit:
www.iowadnr.gov

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commitment to Boater
Education in Iowa.



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New Mandatory Life Jacket Law For Youth!



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A Few Examples of U.S. Coast Guard Approved Life Jackets Available For Youth:

Effective May 10, 2008:

New Mandatory Life Jacket

Law for Youth!

A person shall not operate a vessel in Iowa unless every person on board the vessel who is age 12 and under is wearing a U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket. A life jacket must be worn when the vessel is "underway." "Underway" means when a vessel is not at anchor, tied to a dock or the bank/shore, or aground.

A child age 12 and under in an enclosed cabin, below deck, or aboard a commercial vessel with a capacity of 25 persons or more is exempt.

Please see your local marina or water sports retailer to purchase life jackets.



There are many styles, colors, designs, and types of life jackets on the market. Choose the right life jacket to fit your recreational needs!



Type II Infant Neoprene Vest

- * Fits infant 0 - 30 lbs
- * 7 lbs buoyancy
- * Adjustable belt, leg strap, flotation collar, and grab strap
- * Use in calm water near shore

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- * Fits infant 0 - 30 lbs
- * 7 lbs buoyancy
- * Full coverage flotation in the front with easy neck opening and elastic bungy back
- * Use in calm water near shore



Type II Infant Heads-up Vest

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Type III Child/Youth Neoprene Water Sport Vest

- * Fits Child/Youth 30 - 50 lbs
- * 11 - 15.5 lbs buoyancy
- * Adjustable buckles, large arm holes, and leg strap
- * Use in calm water where fast rescue is possible

Type III Child/Youth Vest

- * Fits Child/Youth 30 - 50 lbs
- * 11 - 15.5 lbs buoyancy
- * Allows free range of motion, stability, and confidence building in the water
- * Use in calm water where fast rescue is possible



Type III Child/Youth Water Sport Vest

- * Fits Child/Youth 50 - 90 lbs
- * 11 - 15.5 lbs buoyancy
- * Adjustable belts and closed sides for custom fit
- * Use in calm water where fast rescue is possible

